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A CLOSER RELATION TO THE U.S. ARMY

Things to Be Considered at a Meeting
of the National Guard Association.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—(Special Correspondence of The Republican.)—At the coming meeting of the National Guard Association in Boston, Jan. 13 to 15, the most important legislation suggested since the enactment of the Dick law five years ago, will come before the association, for discussion. A meeting of the executive committee was held in Washington recently with Acting Secretary of War Oliver and members of the general staff at which the provisions of a bill were agreed upon which will take the place of the Dick act. It is a very comprehensive measure and is believed by its authors to obviate many of the difficulties which have heretofore prevented the militia from complying with the requirements of the Dick act as to organization. Among important modifications is one allowing each organized division of the militia one inspector of small arms practice with the rank of lieutenant colonel; each brigade, one with the rank of major; each regiment of infantry or cavalry one with the rank of captain; and each separate battalion or squadron, one with the rank of first lieutenant. The president is to be empowered to specify in his call the period of service, when the organized militia is called into service to repel invasion or suppress insurrection, and the militia shall be so called into service in advance of any volunteer force which it may be determined to raise. Another important

change is in Sec. 8, which now directs that court-martial for the trial of officers and men of the militia, when in service of the United States shall be composed of militia officers only. This is to be amended so as to make it read "the majority membership" of such court-martial shall be composed of militia officers. Probably the most important change is in Sec. 13, which now empowers the secretary of war to issue standard magazine guns, bayonets, etc., to arm the militia as the army is armed. It is proposed to amend this section by authorizing the secretary of war to issue from time to time "under such regulations as he may prescribe, such number of the United States service guns and all accessories and such other accoutrements, equipments, uniforms, clothing, equipment and military stores of all kinds required for the army of the United States, as are necessary to arm, uniform and equip all the organized militia in the several states, territories and the District of Columbia, in accordance with the requirements of this act, without charging the cost or value thereof against the allotment of said state, etc., or requiring payment therefor." The secretary is also authorized to exchange ammunition for the new guns for ammunition for the Krags, and old equipment thus replaced is to be turned in to the war department and the new equipment provided for by the governors as accounted for by law. The secretary is further authorized to fix an annual clothing allowance to each state for each enlisted man and to issue clothing annually in accordance with such allowance, and the governors are authorized to drop from their returns as expended, clothing corresponding in value to such allowance. Finally, the secretary is empowered to issue small arms and field artillery ammunition

upon the requisition of governors, in the proportion of fifty per cent of the corresponding regular army allowance without charge to the state's allotment. This is a most important section as it provides, in effect, for the States arming and equipping of the militia so as to conform to the army, the expense of the United States, and the regular issue of clothing without expense to the state or territory. The provision as to ammunition will greatly stimulate rifle practice and leave more money available for the construction of ranges and galleries. Section is amended to provide for the payment of expenses of the militia at joint maneuvers out of the money specifically appropriated for that purpose, the secretary to furnish congress with a detailed statement of such expenditures. The last section authorizes the secretary to appoint a board of five officers of the militia selected as far as possible to represent all sections of the country, to meet in Washington from time to time and consult with him respecting the condition, status and needs of the whole body of the organized militia, the members of the board to receive a per diem and traveling expenses. The proposed bill will be passed upon by the National Guard association and then properly introduced in congress. Governor Henry A. Buchtel, of Colorado, has recently taken a life membership in the National Rifle association. Governor Buchtel is a Methodist minister and chancellor of the University of Denver, a Methodist institution, but believes in rifle practice as a preparation for the proper defense of the country. This year he gave three medals, one each of gold, silver and bronze, for competition in the Colorado National Guard individual match.

In connection with the proposed rifle range for the navy on the Pacific coast, similar to the one at Guantanamo, a bill has been introduced in congress for the purchase of the Rancho del Encinal, known as the Henry ranch, in San Luis Obispo county, California. It is said this ground is well adapted for a rifle range and maneuvering ground. It is understood that should the state of California acquire a suitable rifle range the navy department would be willing to equip it in return for the practice afforded the sailors.

Personal Mention

J. B. Alexander of Sacaton passed yesterday in Phoenix.
W. P. Magill and Mrs. W. H. Magill of Webb City, Mo., were among the arrivals here yesterday.
H. F. McGurley of the Clara mine, near Bouse, was a business visitor in the city yesterday.
N. Sturdy and F. B. Good of the Fortuna mine spent Christmas day in Phoenix.
Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Henderson of Hempstead, New York, were arrivals in the city yesterday for the winter.
Among those registering at the Hotel Adams yesterday were: L. Felt, New York; M. C. Mathews, B. S. Moore, Dubuque, Iowa; J. B. Kelly, Granite Reef; L. E. Wyman; Carl E. Schultz; W. W. McBride; D. W. Beldon, Tucson.
The following were arrivals at the Commercial hotel yesterday: H. V. Rosenberg and wife; Richard Flender, New York; J. B. Alexander, Sacaton. At the Ford yesterday were: H. F. McGurley; G. F. Riddle, Parker; Lewis B. Carr; Ormsby McHard, Payton-Gordon, Washington, D. C.; J. H. Galvin, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. A. Gullett, Phoenix; Ernest Hall, D. W. Hall, Salome; H. B. Greek, Morris-town.

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Ed Levengood was in the city the last week looking after his extensive horse interests in this vicinity. Mr. Levengood is an old Williamsite, and makes frequent visits to our city; but the major portion of his time is spent in California, where he follows chariot racing. While here it is understood he bought "Sweetheart" and also secured an option on Mr. Wade's Jack Lavin. He also made Patsy Hollihan of Ash Fork an offer on his fast mare, Susie Christian. Mr. Levengood's idea to secure Susie Christian for the outside position in the team is a good one, for the outside horse has to travel about a hundred feet further than the remainder of the team, he says, and it takes the fastest of horses to make good. Mr. Levengood says that with these three fast horses and his good horse, Searchlight, he would have the fastest chariot team in the world, and all Arizona horses, too. The serious question with Mr. Levengood is, will Patsy Hollihan sell Susie Christian? Mr. Hollihan refused fifteen hundred dollars for her a few hours after he bought her. And the fact that he "had his eye on her" for a long time before he got her at Albuquerque, argues pretty strongly that he won't take his eye off her for some patriotic whim of Mr. Levengood's.

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